

into his hands, by virtue or color of his office, and shall diligently preserve and take care of all books, records, papers and property which have come or may come into his possession, by virtue or color of his office, and shall in all things faithfully perform the duties of his office as they are, or thereafter shall be prescribed by law. Each surety shall take and subscribe an oath, before the Register of Deeds, that he is worth a certain sum (which shall not be less than one thousand dollars) over and above all his debts and liabilities and his homestead exemption, and the sums thus sworn to, shall not be less in the aggregate than the penalty of the bond

**§138.—Bond how approved, &c.**

The approval of said bond, by the Commissioners or a majority of them, shall be recorded by their clerk. Any Commissioner approving a bond which he knows or believes to be insufficient, shall be personally liable as if he were a surety thereto. The said bond shall be acknowledged by the parties thereto, or proved by a subscribing witness, before the Clerk of said Commissioners, or their presiding officer, registered in the Register's office in a separate book to be kept by him for the registration of official bonds; and the original, with the approval thereof endorsed, deposited with the Register for safe keeping. The like remedies shall be had upon said bond, as are, or may be given by law on official bonds.

**§139.—Qualification of Clerks.**

The clerks of the Superior Court before entering on the duties of their office, shall take and subscribe before some officer authorized by law to administer an oath, the oaths prescribed by law, and file such oath with the Register of Deeds for the county.

**§140.—Failure to give bond, etc.**

In case any clerk shall fail to give bond and qualify as above directed, the presiding officer of the County Commissioners of his county, shall immediately inform the Judge of